

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A monolithic single-layer cremation urn capable of holding the remains of a deceased human or animal wherein the urn is made of either acrylic with mineral filler or an acrylic/polyester blend.
2. The urn of claim 1, wherein the individual acrylic or acrylic/polyester pieces comprising the urn are bonded together using either two-part epoxy, cement, or silicone.
3. The urn of claim 1 constructed in such a manner that prevents access to the remains held within the urn unless the urn is destroyed.
4. The urn of claim 1 constructed such that the external mating seams of the individual pieces comprising the urn are effectively imperceptible to the naked eye.
5. The urn of claim 1 that may be constructed to varying sizes, shapes, colors, and patterns to fulfill specific needs as to the volume of remains to be held, the intended disposition of the urn (display, interment, burial at sea, columbarium or mausoleum storage), and desired aesthetics.
6. The urn of claim 1, wherein indicia may be either etched in relief to become an integral part of the urn or affixed by means of a separate plaque or plate. Indicia are most appropriately added to the top and/or side surface(s) of the urn.
7. The urn of claim 1, wherein various profiles may be added along the top or other edges of the assembly using a router or other tool.
8. The urn of claim 1, which due to its material composition and construction resists degradation, breakage or other damage after prolonged exposure to indoor, semi-outdoor, outdoor, underground, fresh water, or seawater environmental conditions.